

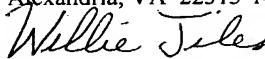
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In re Application of: KOVACEVIC, et al.
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OF THE MOLTEN POOL IN LASER-BASED ADDITIVE
MANUFACTURING

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

In response to the Final Office Action mailed April 26, 2005, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims in view of the following remarks and amendments.